

## Coloma Board Election Slated Voters Face \$2.5 Million Issue

COLOMA — Election of two school board members and a decision on a \$2.5 million bond issue to finance construction of a physical education facility will face Coloma school district voters at the school election, Monday, June 11.

Seeking two four-year positions on the school board are Dr.

James O. Galles and Merlin Hauch, both incumbents, and Douglas W. Lombard.

The proposed physical education facility, if voters approve, will be located between the high school and the new junior high. It would be used by students from both.

Included would be a gym-

nasium, locker and shower rooms, handball courts, a wrestling room, a multi-purpose balcony, and a swimming pool. Outside construction would include a football track, baseball diamonds, softball diamonds and youth baseball diamonds.

Repayment of the bond issue,

because of financing through the state school bond loan program would add eight-tenths of a mill to the district tax rate, according to William Barrett, Coloma school superintendent. If the issue is approved, the total tax rate in the district next year will be 30.676 mills, compared to 29.876 this year, he said. The loan, as money became available, would have to be repaid.

The last permanent gym facility built for the district was put in use in 1957, and currently is used by 699 students in grades 5-7. The district's 1,092 junior and senior high students currently have no permanent gym.

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Hauch, 40, of North Branch road, is a fruit grower. He is

seeking his second term on the board.

Lombard, 30, of 255 Maple drive, is a social studies teacher at Lake Michigan Catholic high school. He is seeking his first public office.

The two candidates receiving the greatest number of votes will be elected.

Voting will be at Coloma school. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.



DR. JAMES O. GALLES  
Incumbent



MERLIN HAUCH  
Incumbent



DOUGLAS W. LOMBARD  
Challenger

## Eau Claire Voters To Fill Two Seats

EAU CLAIRE — Two four-year terms on the Eau Claire board of education will be filled by voters in the annual school election June 11.

Voters also will consider renewal of six mills property tax for three years for school operation.

Candidates for the school board are George M. Sharpe, incumbent seeking a second four-year term, R. Clare Ferguson, former board member, James Nichols and Thomas Ferry Sr.

Two candidates with highest vote totals will be elected. Terms of Sharpe and John Glassman, who did not file for re-election, expire June 30.

Sharpe, 58, Maple street, Eau

Claire, currently is treasurer of the board. A certified public accountant in Benton Harbor, Sharpe is married and has two children.

Ferguson, 50, route 2, Eau Claire, served a four-year term on the Eau Claire board ending in 1964 when he was unsuccessful in a bid for re-election. He is a partner in Ferguson & Walsh company, Eau Claire, is married and the father of nine children.

Nichols, 36, Pipestone road, is making his first try for elective office. Married and the father of three children, he manages Harding's store in Eau Claire.

Ferry, 60, 6925 Bailey road, Eau Claire, tried unsuccessfully to win a seat on the school board in 1972. Married and the father of five children, he is postmaster at Eau Claire. He has had school board experience on the former Eureka board.

Six mills, if renewed, will produce about \$84,000 in local taxes for the district this year, based on the district's state equalized valuation of about \$14 million, according to Supt. Donald McAlvey.

Currently, the district levies 31.376 mills, including 24.376 for operation. Renewal of the millage, McAlvey said, would mean the tax rate would remain the same.

The district's 1973-74 operating budget is expected to be about \$1 million, McAlvey said.

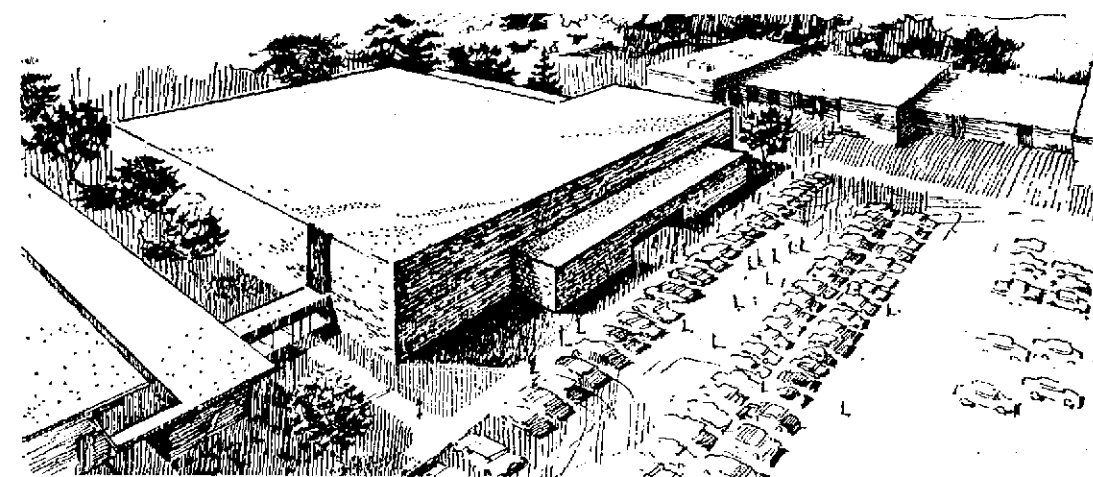
All voting will be at a single precinct in the old high school on Pipestone road. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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**COLOMA PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROPOSAL:** Proposed \$2.5 million Coloma junior-senior high school physical education facility is shown in artist's sketch, between high school, left, and new junior high, right. Building would include gym, swimming pool, locker rooms and other facilities.

Also built would be football field, all-weather track and baseball diamonds. Facility would add eight-tenths mill to Coloma school taxes. It would be available for community use nights and weekends, according to school officials.



R. CLARE FERGUSON  
Former board member



GEORGE M. SHARPE  
Seeks re-election



JAMES NICHOLS  
Board challenger



THOMAS FERRY SR.  
Another board bid

## Consumers Tells Effects Of Closing Nuclear Plant

JACKSON, Mich. (AP) — A Consumers Power Co. executive said Tuesday shutting down the firm's Palisades electric plant could cause power shortages and pollution.

A suit filed last Thursday by Ralph Nader and the Friends of the Earth, a conservation group, would close down 20 nuclear plants across the country, including the Consumers facility.

Russell C. Youngdahl, vice president for the power company, said if the plant is closed, its job would have to be taken over by "less efficient fossil plants, burning coal and oil, thus adding to adverse environmental effects."

Youngdahl said, "The oil-fired units would have to

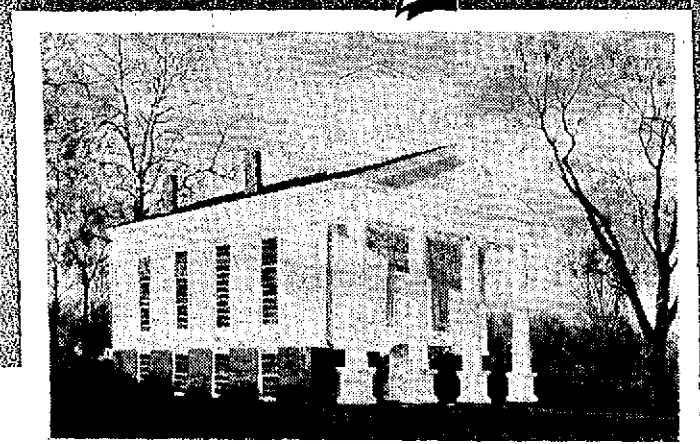
increase generation substantially at a time when oil needed for present requirements is in short supply."

He said environmental effects as well as costs resulting from a shutdown would be "staggering" and pegged extra expenses as high as \$40 million per year.

The suit claims the nuclear plants are unsafe but the Consumers spokesman said evidence presented does not justify closure.

Youngdahl also said Consumers would have a power reserve of only 2 or 3 per cent should Palisades, near South Haven, be closed. He said the plant generates 5 billion kilowatt hours of power annually.

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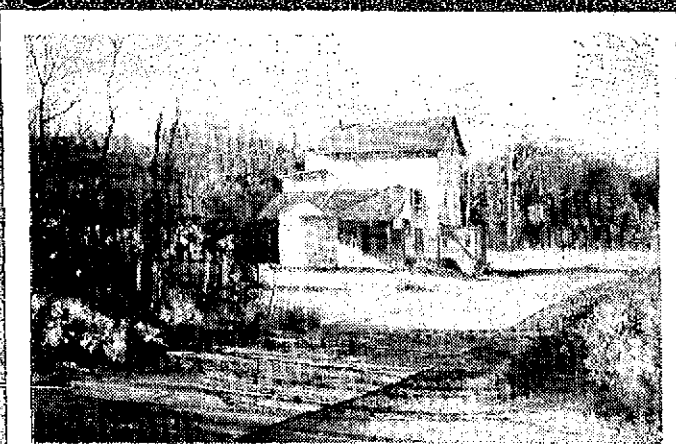
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## Fairplain City Petitions Flunk Lansing Test

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Petitions seeking to incorporate parts of St. Joseph Township and Benton Township in Berrien County into a new city were rejected Wednesday by the Michigan Boundary Commission.

The commission ruled after its executive secretary Jim Hyde, and an assistant attorney general, Charles Hackney, said the petitions did not have a sufficient number of signatures.

In addition, they said the territory included in the

proposed city of Fairplain overlapped on the City of Benton Harbor.

The Citizens Committee for the City of Fairplain said this morning it would take steps quickly to initiate a new petition to meet the state requirements. It said a mass meeting will be called for Fairplain residents once the new petitions are ready.

Commission Chairman D.R. Calhoun said even though the inclusion of part of a Benton Harbor street may have been unintentional, it invalidated the petitions. The thoroughfare in question is Union Street.

Hackney said a new state law, which went into effect this year, requires 5 per cent of the electorate in an affected area to sign incorporation petitions.

Hyde said 1,452 valid signatures were needed. The filed petitions, however, had only 358.

He noted the townships had a combined population of 29,030. Tracey DeFrancesco of St. Joseph, an attorney representing the Citizens for the City of Fairplain, said it was unfortunate the petitioners were given outdated information by the state.

He said the information was based on an old statute which stipulated only 1 per cent of eligible voters had to sign a petition to make it valid. The 5 per cent requirement was included in the new state law.

He said the area for the proposed town includes 7,500 to 8,000 persons.

Circulation of petitions is a first step at incorporation. Once validated, a hearing must be held and a charter committee elected.

The proposed city charter must then be submitted for a vote. Approval is necessary for the city to come into existence.

Benton township Supervisor

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**THE DIKES OF BENTON HARBOR:** Members of the "Youth for Progress" group, Benton Harbor youths employed with Model Cities money to cleanup city, are building sandbag dike along Hinkley street to combat flooding. Pete Mitchell, assistant director of public services, said project should be completed in two weeks, and then excess water remaining on Hinkley will be

pumped out. Some areas are three feet deep, Mitchell said. Benton Harbor was given 25,000 sand bags by Army Corps of Engineers for project, with sand coming from dunes at Jean Klock park. Mitchell said the bags are reusable once flooding has subsided. (Staff photo)

## Death Of Getty's Son Being Probed

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Police say they are trying to learn the circumstances surrounding the death of oil executive George Franklin Getty II, eldest son of billionaire J. Paul Getty.

Police said, however, there was no immediate evidence to indicate foul play in the death of the 48-year-old executive vice president of Getty Oil Co.

Getty, chief operations officer of the firm, was admitted to Queen of Angels Hospital Wednesday morning suffering from a chest injury. He died Wednesday afternoon.

A spokesman for Getty Oil said Getty died of a cerebral hemorrhage, but police investigators said they were awaiting results of an autopsy planned today before determining the cause of death.

Police Lt. Charles Kline said Getty was admitted to the hospital by his physician, Dr. Kendrick Smith, under the

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**GEORGE FRANKLIN GETTY II**  
Dies after chest injury

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## Trooper's Murder Described Killer Remains Unidentified

Eyewitnesses to the Oct. 12 slaying of State Trooper Steven DeVries were unable Wednesday to identify Murder Trial Defendant Kenneth Eugene Oliver as the killer.

Wednesday was the second

day of nonjury trial for Oliver, accused of first-degree murder of the Niles post trooper on US-12 in Bertrand township in the wake of a \$38,000 Niles bank robbery.

Trial was to resume before Judge Chester J. Byrns in St. Joseph at 9:30 a.m. today and is expected to continue next week.

Alonzo Statler, 71, of Barron Lake, testified he was looking in his rear view mirror and saw a state trooper fall backward to the pavement of US-12 by-pass southwest of Niles. He had seen the trooper talking to a Negro man near two parked cars as he had passed them, Statler related. He said he was about a quarter mile away when he saw the trooper fall. He added that he returned to the scene immediately and bent to aid the dead or near-dead trooper. Meanwhile, the black man drove off at high speed in a white-over-green car, he told

the court. Statler said he picked up the trooper's revolver and pointed it after the fleeing auto, but decided against firing.

On the stand, he described the driver as stocky, shorter than the trooper, and with a "short Afro haircut".

According to Statler's testimony, the trooper held what looked like "writing material". William Bennett, of 1605 Placid drive, Baroda, a truckdriver, testified two people were standing at the left rear tire of a 1971 or 1972 Monte Carlo when one of them squatted down "as if to look at a tire" and the Monte Carlo took off at high

speed. "I just saw the movement going down," he testified under cross-examination. He testified he did not see the Monte Carlo driver.

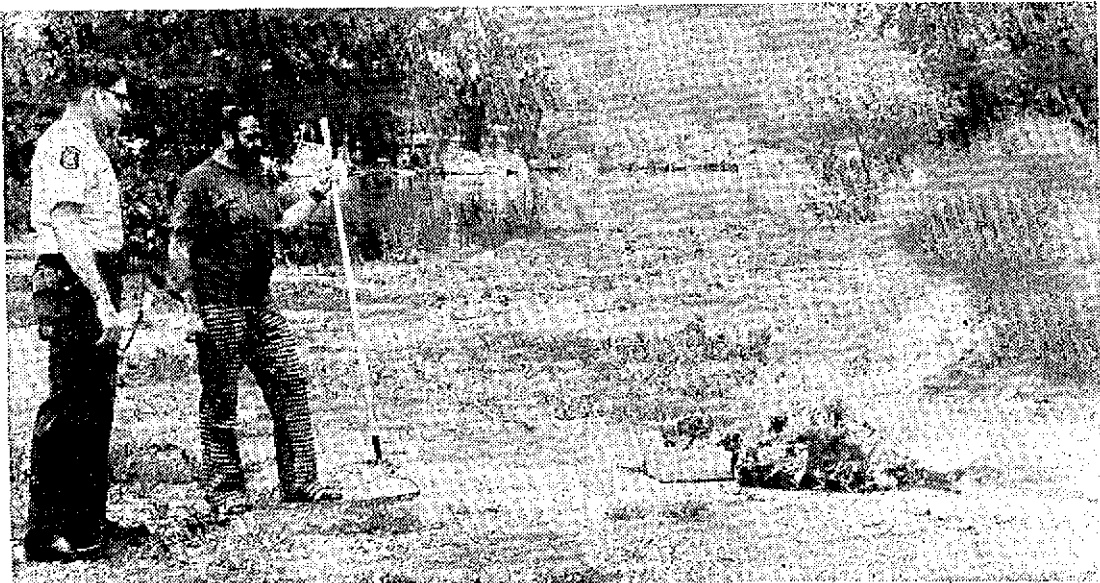
Two other truckers testified. One, Robert M. Smith of Mishawaka, Ind., testified he saw a white-over-green car driving fast in the east lanes of US-12 by-pass. A few seconds later he arrived at the slaying scene, he testified.

His impression of the speeding car is that it was a Chevrolet, and he thought the driver was a Negro, he testified. "My first impression was, there was an accident and he

was going for help."

Niles post State Trooper George D. Prayda testified he passed Trooper DeVries seated behind the wheel of partially-marked police car No. 531, with a black and green Chevrolet Monte Carlo stopped nearby and a Negro male in his late 20s or early 30s, short hair, short beard, seated behind its wheel.

The site of the two parked cars, he testified, was the shoulder of eastbound US-12 by-pass midway between Weaver and Portage roads in Bertrand township. He later corrected his identification of the private car



**POLICE POT PARTY:** A police-sanctioned "pot party" for a limited number of guests was held Wednesday on Radio Island, (Terminal island), St. Joseph, as the smoke from some 30 pounds of marijuana wafted into the breeze. Berrien Metro Narcotics Squad Commander Don Ives (right) and Lt. Ted Fleisher from St. Joseph police tend fire,

and keep curious noses from burning pile of "weed." The marijuana, along with heroin, pills, and other drugs, had been confiscated during Metro investigations and raids. Ives estimated about \$5,000 worth of drugs "went up in smoke." (Staff photo)

## BH Area Man Wins \$10,000

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — A 53-year-old Chrysler Corp. employee was the winner of \$200,000 in today's weekly drawing of the Michigan Lottery.

James C. Edison of Detroit won the big prize which will bring him a \$20,000 check each of the next 10 years.

Winners of \$50,000 were Leroy E. Engelhart, 47, of Vassar; Maurice D. Voorhees, 68, of St. Clair; and Frank B. Sorrow of Ypsilanti.

Winners of \$10,000 were Arthur G. Reinke, 70, of Moran; Joe A. Guidice, 41, of Benton Harbor; and Muriel K. Joanson, 66, of Belleville.



JOE GUIDICE

### Winning Numbers

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — The winning numbers in this week's Michigan lottery are 750 055.

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## Niles Man Pleads Guilty To Federal Tax Evasion

DETROIT — Owner of a Niles pharmacy yesterday pleaded guilty in U.S. District court here before Judge John Feikens to a charge of willfully failing to file a federal income tax return for 1966.

Plea was entered by Harold F. Patrowsky, 60, owner of Pat's Eastgate Pharmacy, 1951 Oak street, Niles, on one count of a three-count indictment returned Dec. 19, 1972, by a federal grand jury charging that Patrowsky failed to file income tax returns for 1965, 1967 and 1968.

The indictments charged that Patrowsky, who lives at 2394

Yankee street, Niles, had gross income for 1965 of \$78,048.48, for 1967 of \$76,507.44, and for 1968 of \$68,169.02.

Internal revenue service officials said Patrowsky is free on \$1,000 personal bond pending completion of an investigation by the probation division prior to sentencing.

Patrowsky faces maximum penalties of one year in prison and \$10,000 in fines.

Officials said the second two counts in the indictment will be dismissed at the time of sentencing.

IRS officials said the case

first came to their attention through the department's data system. The investigation was handled by IRS agents of the eastern district of Michigan.

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## 'Blob' Just Fungus Among Us

WARREN, Mich. (AP) — This is no fairy tale. There's a blob in Jane Spry's wishing well.

The strange, off-white creature, reminiscent of a similar being in Dallas, Tex., appeared here over night, Mrs. Spry said. The Dallas version was at first rumored as related to a spaceman's body supposedly buried in the suburbs.

But biologists said the creature was a fungus and

Michigan specialists say the Warren creature apparently is of the same ilk.

Mrs. Spry said the blob appeared in the well in her back yard and is 20 inches long and six inches wide. When stabbed, "it oozed a thick, red liquid that looked like blood."

"If you punctured the top, a yellowish stuff would come out and then the inside of it would turn dark," Mrs. Spry said.

Dr. Everett Beneke of Michigan State, a fungus expert, said Mrs. Spry's blob is a species of the largest slime mold in existence, a fellow called Fuligo Septica by those in the know.

Mrs. Spry says additional blobs are growing deep in the well.

She didn't say if she planned to use the Texas cure — tobacco water — to make her well fit for wholesome wishes once again.







**HECTIC WEEK FOR NEW LAWYER:** Pamela Hartwig (right), graduate of the University of Michigan law school, took brief pause in busy week's activities to be admitted to Michigan Bar in Berrien circuit court yesterday. Miss Hartwig also is to be married this Saturday. Pictured with Miss Hartwig during presentation are (from left) Judge Chester J. Byrns, Berrien circuit court; her mother, Mrs. Joseph Hartwig, and her father, Twin Cities Atty. Joseph Hartwig. Miss Hartwig, 26, from Ann Arbor, is employed by Ann Arbor Trust Co. (Staff photo)

## Mom Waits Long Time For Diploma

**BH Woman Graduating  
After 27-Years**

BY SCOTT WILLIAMSON  
Staff Writer

The biggest smile from mothers attending the Benton Harbor high school graduation ceremonies tonight will come from a 42-year-old mother of three. She'll be the one wearing the cap and gown.

Mrs. Willie (James) Hopkins, of 1227 Pearl street, Benton Harbor, will receive her diploma tonight—after waiting 27 years.

Mrs. Hopkins dropped out of school in the ninth grade in 1946,

partly because of economic reasons. But her quest for learning didn't recede, and three years ago she began attending adult night classes offered by Benton Harbor high school.

Pending the outcome of final exams, she'll graduate tonight with a 3.8 or 3.9 average (on a 4.0 scale).

She says she often contemplated going back to school, but the final decision was made while she and her family were staying in a Chicago hotel a few years ago.

Mrs. Hopkins explains: "We were staying in a hotel that was hosting a medical convention. One of the convention clerk's asked my daughter, Denise, if her mom was a doctor. When we got back to the room, Denise said: 'He wanted to know if you were a doctor, and you don't even have a high school degree.' 'It made me start thinking,' she says, and she soon threw herself into her classes with gusto.

Mrs. Hopkins works at Simplicity Pattern Co. in Niles, beginning work at 7 a.m. Her classes started at 7 p.m., and usually ran until 9:30. She said she often stayed up until 1 a.m. doing homework, but never missed a day of work.

"It hasn't been easy," she reflects, "but it's been worth it."

Her family agrees with her, and they all share in her happiness. Her husband is a supervisor at Superior Steel in Benton Harbor, and her children include Denise, 14, at home, Mrs. Joyce Haynes and James E. Hopkins, the latter both graduates of Benton Harbor high school.

Mrs. Hopkins has already completed one course in law enforcement at Lake Michigan



**LAST MINUTE ADJUSTMENTS:** Denise Hopkins, 14, adjusts cap of her mother, Mrs. Willie (James) Hopkins, prior to Benton Harbor high school graduation exercises. It took Mrs. Hopkins 27 years to graduate, since she dropped out of school in 1946. (Staff photo)

college, and hopes to get a college degree and enter the field of juvenile social work.

Her reason is simple: "I've always been interested in people," she states.

As she looks contentedly at her cap and gown, she says: "I

never thought a \$5 outfit would mean so much. Out of all my clothes, this is the most precious in my wardrobe."

## Lakeshore Graduates Looking Back, Ahead

BY DAVE ANDREWS  
Staff Writer

Bonnie Jean Benson called it "The Spirit of '73."

David B. Seager said it was "Awakening."

Nancy L. Miller said it was "A Time For Life."

For 215 young men and young women at Lakeshore high school it was graduation.

Ceremonies were held last night before a near capacity crowd of parents, friends and students — some of them graduates and some still waiting for another year — in the Lancer gymnasium.

Diplomas were presented by John W. Steinke, president of the board of education, and George A. Zink, vice president of the board, as Miss Benson, who was president of the class and valedictorian, read the class roll.

Miss Benson, Seager and Miss Miller were selected by vote of their classmates to speak and each recalled part of their own life in high school in relating it to the future.

The memories of the "Spirit of '73" are the link to the future, Miss Benson said.

"Be proud of it," she said. "And the Spirit of '73 will continue to live and grow."

Seager remembered his activities as a Lakeshore student, but dwelled more on the activities in which he did not participate.

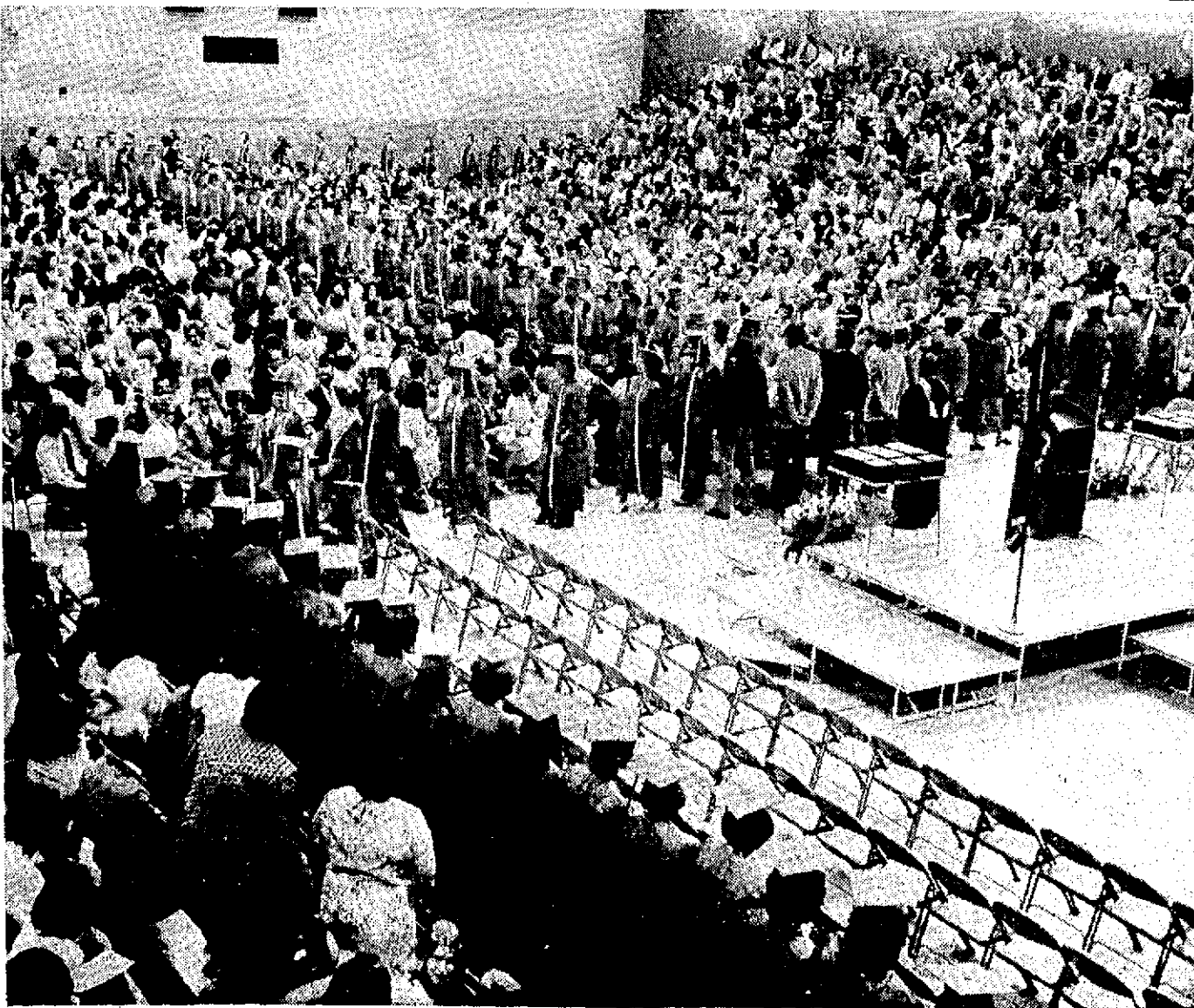
"You can learn from my mistakes," he told underclassmen in the audience. "Take advantage of the opportunities. Then, and only then, will you find the satisfaction of leading an honest life."

Miss Miller spoke of achievements of Lakeshore this year, the undefeated football season, class play, a district basketball championship and a top rating for the band, and told her classmates to leave with an "awareness of life."

Jon Schuster, principal, was given a standing ovation by the class when introduced. Schuster is leaving Lakeshore for the assistant superintendent's post at Berrien Springs.

He presented the valedictorian award to Miss Benson and the salutatorian award to Robert R. Eversole.

Invocation and benediction were delivered by Rev. Thomas D. Keizer, pastor, Fairplain Presbyterian church. William F. Galbraith, acting superintendent of schools, introduced members of the school board and high school department heads. The concert band, directed by Arnold Lesser, played the processional and recessional.



**LAKESHORE PROCESSIONAL:** Wearing red caps and gowns, Lakeshore high school's 215 graduating seniors march into high school gymnasium last night at start of commencement exercises.

Diplomas stacked on tables were presented by members of board of education in 65-minute program. (Staff photo)

## Blasts Drug Program

## County Ignoring BH, Mayor Joseph Says

BY RALPH LUTZ  
Staff Writer

Benton Harbor Mayor Charles F. Joseph charged Wednesday that county-level agencies—including the Berrien Drug Treatment center—are disregarding the needs of Benton Harbor in their programs.

"They get government funds, based on Benton Harbor's population and problems, and then tell us to go to hell," Joseph maintained.

He went so far as to suggest that perhaps Benton Harbor might consider its own drug treatment program, after hearing that the drug center, itself, is beset by regulations from the federal government.

Joseph appeared at the regular meeting of the Community Action Coalition, attended by about 20 persons.

The committee in regular business appointed a task force to inventory existing youth programs, to see where voids may exist; reaffirmed support of millage sought by Benton Harbor Area schools in next Monday's election; and discussed a senior citizens' program.

Joseph questioned a \$25 fee at the drug center for methadone treatments. He indicated that the fee can't be afforded by city residents who need the treatments.

Kent Adams, center director, said the fee, although provided for, hasn't been imposed.

Alleged altercations and lack of communications in operating the center were touched on by Joseph, who feared the cut-off of some \$50,000 from the state. The mayor refused to detail these faults at the meeting, but chose to meet privately with center officials and make a report later.

Specifically, Joseph cited difficulties he is having in getting statistics and information in public areas. "I had to go to the governor's office to get some statistics on the county department of social services, that should be public," Joseph said.

And, on funding, Joseph said only the president apparently

has the power to release money for such programs as Neighborhood Youth Corps.

On crime, Joseph praised the platform announced this week by the NAACP, said that an "in-built resentment" still exists among many citizens, and said causes behind recent rock throwing incidents are still nebulous.

The Coalition committee hopes its new task force can

lead to a total, on-going recreation program similar to the former community education effort. The use of more citizens in leading decision-making efforts was sought under the heading of "People Resources."

Also heard was a report on the new senior citizens center at 53 Wall street and plans for Camp Joy, July 22-28, at Camp Warren for a senior citizens recreation outing.

## Migrant Health Program Will Be Continued

The Berrien county health board signed an agreement Wednesday to continue operating a five-county area migrant health program under a \$283,863 grant.

The agreement was reached with the Berrien, Cass, Van Buren Health Services, Inc. (BCV), a non-profit corporation in existence less than a year.

The grant provides medical and dental services to migrants at various clinics in the five-counties, including those at Keeler and Berrien General hospital. The other two counties are Allegan and Ottawa.

The Berrien health department operated the clinics during the past 7 years but new federal regulations resulted in transfer of the grant to BCV. The Berrien health department will now operate the migrant program for BCV for at least the first year to "retain a continuity of programs during transfer of the grant," Jerome Erickson, acting health director, said.

The board also discussed alternative methods of funding a dental program under a grant from the Benton Harbor-Benton township Model Cities program which may be phased out next spring.

The Berrien health department combined the Model Cities grant with another federal grant to provide \$130,000 in dental services to Benton Harbor area residents. Two dentists, a dental hygienist and dental aids conduct the program.

In a third matter of business, the health board approved submission of two grant requests for continuation of pre-natal and immunization programs.

The pre-natal request to the Michigan Department of Public Health is for \$89,700 beginning July 1. The program has been in operation for the past 7 months under a \$57,000 grant and is geared toward persons on medicare and the working poor.

The program is an attempt to reverse figures showing Berrien, Cass and Van Buren as having the worst maternal and child health statistics in the state.

The second grant request is for \$10,917 to continue the immunization program against such diseases as polio, measles, mumps and diphtheria. The program currently has a budget of \$26,000.

Both the pre-natal and immunization programs operate only in Berrien county.

## Millage Request On Buchanan School Ballot

### Three Candidates Seek Board Post

BUCHANAN — Three candidates seeking election to a single board post and a request for renewal of 16.35 mills of property tax will be decided by Buchanan school district voters at the June 11 school election.

Seeking election to a four-year term on the board are Elton Lash, William Moon and Fred Hankins, all of Buchanan. The current holder of the board seat, Frederick Stout, did not choose

to run again. He has served on the board for eight years.

The 16.35 mills for school operation are being sought for one year, to replace a levy which expired this year.

If approved, the levy will raise \$851,000 towards a 1973-74 budget of about \$2.2 million, according to Richard Dougherty, Buchanan school superintendent.

If the millage is approved,

next year's total school tax levy in the district will be about 26.02 mills, according to Dougherty.

The figure represents an increase of about one-half mill over last year, due to new bonded indebtedness assumed for the purchase of land.

Hankins, 43, of East River road, is an inspector in the hydraulic division of Clark Equipment. He is a native of Dowagiac, and a graduate of

Benton Harbor high school. He has three children, all attending Buchanan schools.

Lash, 40, of 3122 Niles-Buchanan road, is a salesman for Drier Real Estate, Three Oaks, manager of patient services at Pawating hospital, Niles, and a free-lance preparer of educational audio-visual materials. He is a former teacher, and was an unsuccessful board candidate in 1972. He

and his wife, Ruth, have three children.

Moon, 47, of 310 West Front street, is owner and operator of H. S. Cover company, South Bend, manufacturer of respirators and goggles. He is a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He and his wife, Consuelo, have seven children.

Voting will take place at the high school gym. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.



ELTON LASH  
Buchanan candidate



WILLIAM MOON  
Seeks school seat



FRED HANKINS  
Contender

## New Buffalo To Vote On Two Bond Issues June 11

\$3.5 Million High School, \$500,000 Swim Pool

To Be On School Election Ballot

NEW BUFFALO — High school construction bond issue of \$3.5 million, a separate \$500,000 bond issue for a swimming pool and two terms on the New Buffalo board of education

will be considered by voters of the school district June 11 at the annual election.

Board candidates running for two four-year terms are incumbent Alvin Kissman, 38, Gowdy

Shores; Mrs. Ethel Jean Greer, 32, Garden drive, Sturgeon Beach; Mrs. Judy Palen, 40, 1220 Indiana street; Charles Wilens, 47, 50 Pokagon, Michiana, and James Zervas, 29, Kissman drive, Union Pier.

Terms of Kissman and Richard Palen, who is not seeking re-election, expire June 30.

The bond issue financing is complicated and there are variables such as final construction costs, interest rates on bonds and use of the state school building loan program involved, but Supt. Walter Schwarz projected a tax increase over the current levy of about 7.1 mills if both proposals are approved.

Currently, the district levies 21.276 mills, including 20.378 for operation. Projected tax levy on the next school tax bill, with financing of bonded debt retirement costs under the state school building loan program if necessary, is about 28.376 mills.

Use of the state program would be necessary, Schwarz said, only if both issues are approved.

The program finances 90 per cent of principal and interest charges in excess of the local revenue received from collection of 7 mills. The remaining 10 per cent of excess costs is financed by local taxes.

Construction of a new high school, if voters approve, could begin by about Oct. 1, at the earliest. Earliest completion would be sometime in the fall of 1974.

Schwarz said the school board has options to purchase several sites, but the location favored by the board is on Red Arrow highway in New Buffalo township, about one mile south of New Buffalo.

Schwarz said that because the high school and swimming pool propositions are separate questions on the ballot that it would be possible for voters to approve the pool and not the school, or the school without the pool.

In the board election, two candidates receiving the highest number of votes will be elected.

Kissman, lone incumbent seeking re-election, has served two terms on the board. A lifelong resident of New Buffalo, he is employed by Fernco Construction company, Gary, Ind. He and his wife, Nadra, are parents of four children.

Mrs. Greer, a registered nurse and a past president of the Nurses' association at Memorial hospital, Michigan City, Ind., presently is taking courses at Valparaiso university. She has lived in New Buffalo for the past three years. She and her husband, John, are parents of one daughter.

Mrs. Palen, a housewife and mother of three children who also works in the real estate business, is making her first bid for public office. She is on the committee for a new high school. Her husband, Willard, is a brother of Richard Palen, current board member not seeking another term. She said her candidacy is unrelated to her brother-in-law's board membership.

Wilens, owner of Wil-Press Printing company, Chicago, unsuccessfully sought a board

position in the 1970 election. He and his wife are parents of four children.

Zervas, an engineering graduate of Western Michigan university, is studying for a master's degree in business administration at Purdue university. He is employed at Joy Manufacturing company, Michigan City. Father of two children, Zervas moved to New Buffalo three years ago from Grand Rapids. He has never held public office.

Voting will be at the Central school. Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.



ALVIN KISSMAN



MRS. ETHEL JEAN GREER



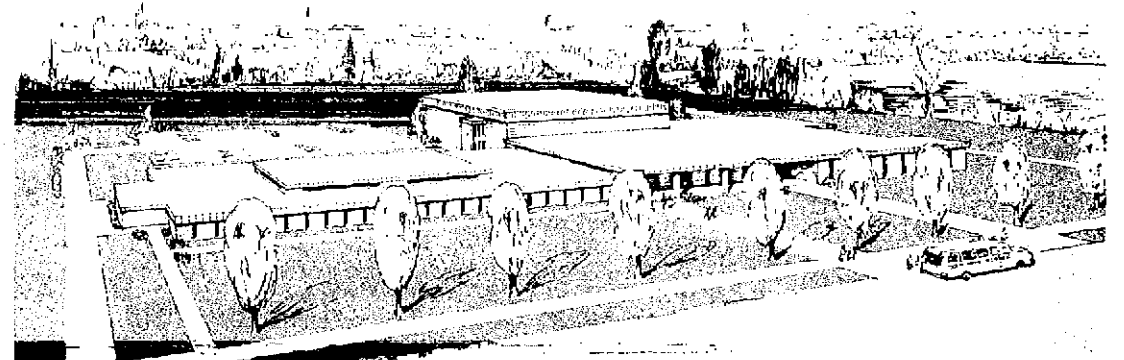
CHARLES WILENS



JAMES ZERVAS



MRS. JUDY PALEN



**PROPOSED NEW BUFFALO HIGH SCHOOL:** A \$3.5 bond issue to finance construction of new high school will be on June 11 ballot in New Buffalo school district. If voters approve, school will look

like this when completed, according to rendering by Davenport & Associates of Grand Rapids, architect.

### Pollution Watch Costs \$8 Million

The American Electric Power System has announced plans for construction of an \$8 million monitoring system which will measure air quality minute by minute around 12 large power plants in Indiana, West Virginia, Ohio, and Kentucky.

Two of the plants are Indiana and Michigan Electric Company's Sullivan and Lawrenceburg, Ind. plants, in southern Indiana.

The system is scheduled for completion early next year, and will check to see that air standards in the areas of the power plants are being met, and to permit AEP to take part in alleviating local conditions should an air pollution emergency arise.

The air quality measurements will be transmitted to a computer in Chicago, which will in turn transmit hourly data back to the AEP control center in Canton, Ohio, and the 12 power plants.

Work on the system is now underway.



DONALD PIPER  
Seeks fourth term



ALLAN HOSIER  
Young challenger

## '73 Bangor Grad In Board Race

BANGOR — A 1973 graduate of Bangor high school will challenge incumbent school board president Donald Piper for re-election at the annual Bangor school district election Monday, June 11.

He is Allan Hosier, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Hosier, county road 215. Hosier is employed by H.W. Freestone company, Bangor, and also works in farming.

Piper, 58, a fruit grower who resides on county road 378, has served three terms on the board. His wife's name is Dorothy.

The board election is the only question on the ballot.

### SCHOLARSHIP

### March Of Dimes Committee Named

Members of a committee to select two winners of \$500 March of Dimes nursing scholarships were named today by Mrs. John Burda, chairman of the Berrien county chapter of March of Dimes.

It also was announced that applicants—high school seniors—must file with the local chapter by June 31. Application forms are available from the chapter at P.O. Box 42, St. Joseph.

Committee members are Mrs. Jane Edmunds, Mrs. George Stelzer and Miss Shirley Evans, all of St. Joseph; Mrs. James Archer of Three Oaks; and Leo Isaac of Benton Harbor.

### Watervliet School Election

## Three Seek Two Board Seats

WATERVLIET — Three candidates including one incumbent are seeking two four-year terms on the Watervliet school board at stake in the June 11 school election.

Candidates are incumbent Frederick Hamlin, 42, of 214 Sutherland avenue, Watervliet; and challengers George W. Shane, 50, route 2, M-140 south, Watervliet, and Ervin E. Isbrecht, 41, route 4, Benton Harbor. The two candidates

receiving the most votes will be elected.

Not seeking re-election is board member Raymond Camp.

Hamlin, who is employed as Watervliet postmaster, was elected to the board four years ago. He and his wife, Jean, have three children.

Shane was a member and treasurer of the Watervliet school board in the early 1960s before he moved into the old Cribbs district. He was then

elected to the Cribbs board and served as board president prior to Cribbs' consolidation with the Watervliet district.

Shane, who operates Shane Orchard Supplies company, Watervliet, and his wife, Constance, have seven children. He is secretary of the Bainbridge township board of appeals.

Isbrecht was a trustee and treasurer on the old Bainbridge Center school board when it was joined with the Watervliet district. In June 1967 he was an

unsuccessful candidate for a Watervliet board seat.

He is employed as data base operator in the data processing department of Whirlpool corporation's laundry group in Benton Harbor. He and his wife, Glenda, have three daughters.

Also on the Watervliet ballot will be a question on whether \$11,828 of a 1959 debt retirement fund should be transferred to a building and site fund.

According to Supt. Samuel

Gravitt, the 1959 debt has been repaid but the school board cannot use the excess money without transferring it to another fund, an action that requires voter approval.

He said the money will not be used for operations if transferred, but for building and site needs.

Money has accumulated in the fund since repayment of the debt because of payment of delinquent taxes, he said.



FREDERICK HAMLIN  
Incumbent



GEORGE W. SHANE  
Contender



ERVIN E. ISBRECHT  
Seeks board seat

## Principal Announced At Berrien Springs

BERRIEN SPRINGS — A Frankenthuth educator has been hired to be the new principal of Berrien Springs high school, Lee Auble, Berrien Springs superintendent, announced today.

Gerald F. Craig, 33, principal of Frankenthuth high school, will begin duties at Berrien Springs next month. Frankenthuth, a community of 3,000, is located between Flint and Saginaw.

Craig has been principal at Frankenthuth for one year. He served the previous year as principal of White Pigeon junior and senior high, and before that taught for five years at Albion high school. He holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Michigan State university, and is currently completing an educational specialist degree from State.

He and his wife, Ann, have two children. Craig was given a two-year

contract. He will receive a salary of \$18,000 annually. Craig will succeed Lester Diekema, who has resigned the position of principal, effective the end of this month.



GERALD F. CRAIG  
New principal

### Tentative Phone Pact Reached

MUSKEGON — Tentative agreement on a new contract between the General Telephone company and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO, was reached between negotiators for the two today, company sources reported.

The old contract was to have expired May 5, but had been continued on a day-to-day basis. Agreement apparently averts the possibility of a strike.

General Telephone serves 22 exchanges in Van Buren, Cass and Allegan counties. About 200

employees in the three counties are covered by the contract.

The agreement reached today must now be submitted to union members for approval. An earlier agreement reached by negotiators was turned down by union members, making necessary further negotiations.